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REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the thorough examination of the present application as reflected in the Official Action mailed September 14, 2007. In order to place the present application in condition for immediate allowance, claims 28, 29, 42 and 63 have been cancelled without prejudice. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (919) 854-1400.

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